

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete list of the claims now pending; this listing replaces all earlier versions and listings of the claims. Please cancel claims 11-18 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Please amend claims 1-10, 19 and 20, and add claims 21 and 22 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus for outputting character-string information ~~in a command format~~ supported by a predetermined character encoding scheme, comprising:

a search means ~~that performs searches for plural commands identical in content~~ for searching, from an external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by a plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

a command extraction means ~~that extracts an interpretable command from the searched plural commands~~ for extracting the character encoding scheme interpretable by said character-string information output apparatus from the character encoding schemes supporting the character-string information searched by said search means; and

a character-string information output means ~~that outputs for outputting the character-string information of the extracted command~~ supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.

2. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:
a font information search means ~~that performs a search for~~ for searching font information corresponding to the character string information ~~of the~~ extracted command supported by the extracted character encoding scheme, wherein
said character-string information output means outputs the character-string information based on the searched font information ~~searched by said font~~ information search means.

3. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said character-string information output means outputs the character-string information ~~of at least two commands, one having character string information compatible with a limited language alone, and the other having character string information compatible with plural languages supported by the character encoding scheme capable of responding to only a limited language and the character-string information supported by the character encoding scheme capable of responding to a plurality of languages.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, wherein ~~a command with an interpretable character string is automatically selected and outputted~~ said character-string information output means automatically selects the character encoding scheme extracted by said extraction

means and outputs the character-string information supported by the selected character encoding scheme.

5. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 2, wherein if ~~there is no~~ said character-string information means does not have the font information corresponding to the character-string information ~~of the extracted command, the character string information is outputted based on~~ supported by the extracted character encoding scheme, said character-string information output means outputs the character-string information by using another font information.

6. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 2, wherein if ~~there is no~~ said character-string information means does not have the font information corresponding to the character-string information ~~of the extracted command, the character string information is not outputted~~ supported by the extracted character encoding scheme, said character-string information output means does not output the character-string information.

7. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output system provided with a character-string information recording apparatus and a character-string information output apparatus, wherein

said character-string information recording apparatus comprises:

~~a command analyzing means that analyzes plural commands~~
with character string information identical in content for analyzing a plurality of character

encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string information; and

a command recording means that records the analyzed plural commands for recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory, and

said character-string information output apparatus comprises:

a search means that performs searches for plural commands with character-string information identical in content for searching, from the external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by the plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

a command extraction means that extracts an interpretable command from the searched plural commands for extracting the character encoding scheme interpretable by said character-string information output apparatus from the character encoding schemes supporting the character-string information searched by said search means; and

a character-string information output means that outputs the character string information of the extracted command for outputting the character-string information supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.

8. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output method comprising the steps of:

~~analyzing plural commands with character string information
identical in content a plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string
information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string
information;~~

~~recording the analyzed plural commands the character-string
information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an
external memory;~~

~~performing searches for plural commands with the character string
information identical in the content searching, from the external memory, the character-
string information having identical contents and supported by the plurality of character
encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;~~

~~extracting an interpretable command from the searched commands
an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes
supporting the character-string information searched in said search step; and~~

~~outputting the character-string information of the extracted
command supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.~~

9. (Currently Amended) A storage medium in which a computer-readable program is stored, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

~~analyzing plural commands with character string information
identical in content a plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string
information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string
information;~~

recording the analyzed plural commands character-string
information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an
external memory;

performing searches for plural commands with the character string
information identical in the content searching, from the external memory, the character-
string information having identical contents and supported by the plurality of character
encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

extracting an interpretable command from the searched commands
an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes
supporting the character-string information searched in said search step; and

outputting the character-string information of the extracted
command supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.

10. (Currently Amended) A character-string information recording
apparatus for recording inputted character-string information in a command format by a
plurality of character encoding schemes, comprising:

a command analyzing means that analyzes plural commands with
character string information identical in content for analyzing a plurality of character
encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with
contents of inputted character-string information; and

a command recording means that records the analyzed plural
commands for recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the
analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory.

11-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) A character-string information ~~input~~ output method for ~~inputting~~ outputting character-string information being supported by a predetermined character encoding scheme in a command format, comprising the steps of:

~~instructing input of character string information;~~

~~performing searches for plural commands with character string information identical in content to the character string information the input of which has been instructed~~ searching, from an external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by a plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

~~extracting an interpretable command from the searched plural commands~~ an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes supporting the searched character-string information; and

~~outputting input information of the extracted command~~ the character string information supported by the extracted character encoding scheme; and

~~inputting the character string information based on the input information outputted for the extracted command.~~

20. (Currently Amended) A storage medium in which a computer-readable program is stored, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

~~instructing input of character string information;~~

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~~performing searches for plural commands with character string information identical in content to the instructed character string information searching, from an external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by a plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;~~

~~extracting an interpretable command from the searched plural commands an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes supporting the searched character-string information; and~~

~~outputting input information for the extracted command the character-string information supported by the extracted character encoding scheme; and~~

~~inputting the character string information based on the input information outputted for the extracted command.~~

21. (New) A character-string information recording method of recording inputted character-string information by a plurality of character encoding schemes, comprising the steps of:

analyzing the plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with contents of the inputted character-string information; and

recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory.

22. (New) A storage medium in which a computer-readable program is stored, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

analyzing the plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string information; and

recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory.

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